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THE BRITISH HARVEST.—The *Mark Lane Express* says.—“The fine weather with which the month commenced closed on Tuesday with rain, followed by a sharp frost on Thursday. The ten dry days, however, were of immense service to the country, and the bulk of the corn crops, beans excepted, may now be considered as gathered. The fine dry winds recently experienced will certainly place the latter gathering foremost in point of condition, but without extraordinary weather for the next fortnight, there is very little chance of a dry sample of beans. Ploughing, where practicable, has commenced in earnest, but the sowing of wheat this Autumn must be generally backward, the land being foul and wet. Very little change can be noted in the value of old and fine new wheat during the week, but soft damp new has been less in favor. Very little can be used with old for flour: prices, therefore, for such qualities further receded, and are very irregular. Partly under the influence of former English advices, and partly from their own necessities, foreign markets have been generally deterred for good wheat. This has been the case in France, Belgium, Holland, and the Baltic, as well as at Odessa, the Danubian Principalities, and Southern Europe, but in America the immense deliveries from the West, coupled with more favorable advices from Europe, have brought about some reduction in the value of breadstuffs.

THE BOTTOM OF LOUIS NAPOLEON'S HEART.—At a recent meeting of the Liverpool Social Science Association, Baron Gudin, the celebrated French marine painter, who was present, delivered a speech in English, deprecating any idea of war between France and England, and urging that the Emperor was most anxious to keep up the *entente cordiale*. He also mentioned that he (Baron Gudin) had invented an apparatus in connection with gas and water, which would, he hoped, be of great benefit to the public. “The Emperor,” he said, “is my friend, and I know the very bottom of his heart.” At these words, Lord Brougham, who was in the chair, smiled and shook his head, and at the conclusion of the Baron's remarks, he highly eulogized his talents as an artist, and added, “But with reference to this great discovery—I don't mean that of the bottom of the Emperor's heart, but of the gas and water apparatus—I hope we shall soon hear more.” These words, delivered in the noble Lord's digest manner, excited roars of laughter, which seemed to puzzle Baron Gudin immensely.

A COMMON COMPLAINT.—We clip the following from the Denver (*Pike's Peak Mountaineer*). The Irishman's response has been the cause of great dissatisfaction even on Fraser River:

Pike's Peak is not without its Irishmen, and the Irish wit and drollery shows itself the same here that it does the world over. We heard a colloquy between two “gents” the other day, which sums up a whole volume of their impressions of this country in a single sentence.

1st Hibernian.—“What do you think of this country, Pat?”

2d H.—“Divil of a fine country, to be shure.”

1st H.—“And d'y'e think there is much good here?”

2d H.—“Faith an' I do that same; but there's a date of dirth mixt wid it?”

GOVERNOR DOWNEY.—The present Governor (Downey) of California is a little, pleasant-faced, smooth-tongued Irishman. For years he was a prominent politician in the region of Los Angeles, devoting himself to the political fortunes of Senator Latham, then a promising young lawyer of Sacramento. Subsequently, through Latham's influence he was elected as Lieut. Governor on the ticket with himself; and when Latham, the Acting Governor, was declared Senator, Downey, by virtue of his position, became the head of the State Government, in which capacity he has developed and exhibited the most remarkable executive ability, and is in favor with all parties, cliques, and clans.

The British Parliament has voted \$10,000, the largest sum ever voted for such a purpose, to build a monument in Trafalgar Square, near the Nelson column, to the memory of the Sir John Franklin.

A MISER.—Mr. James McDonald, M. A., a strange character, who had lived at Stafford, England, for about thirty years, recently died at the county infirmary in that town, apparently in great distress, so much so that a gentleman who had recommended him to the institution offered to pay a sovereign towards his interment. However, on examining his clothes, which were of the most filthy character, some exceedingly dirty old rags were found, and in them were discovered three bankers' checks, amounting to nearly one thousand six hundred pounds, besides £3 10s 2d in gold, silver and copper.

Mr. McDonald graduated at the University of Edinburgh, taking the degree of Master of Arts, and for some years discharged the duties of sub-editor of the *Edinburgh Courant*. During his early connection with Stafford, he attained considerable success as a schoolmaster, and afterwards as teacher of education in many of the neighboring villages. His personal appearance and habits, however, gradually became so repulsive that even those who had previously engaged him were compelled to request a discontinuance of his periodical visits, and for some time his nightly resting place was a shed or loft.

The London *American* announces that Messrs. Howes & Cushing's great circus, which has been on exhibition for some time in England, will be sold on the 17th inst. Mr. Howes, who retires upon a large fortune acquired from his profession, purposes buying a large estate upon the Rhine, upon which is a baronial castle, the title accompanying the estate, will give the great American circus proprietor the title of Baron Howes.

THE POPE'S IRISH BRIGADE.—About eight hundred members of the Pope's Irish Brigade returned to Dublin on the 9th October, thoroughly disgusted with their trip, and the unsuccessful race they had taken after glory. They spoke very hard of the treatment they had received, and seemed to regret having left their comfortable homes to fight Garibaldi.

“Heroine” is a peculiar word. The two first letters of it are male, the three first female, the four first a brave man, and the whole word a brave woman.

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300 bbls Golden Gate Flour;

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100 bbls Self-Rising Flour;

250 mats China Sugar;

200 bbls Sandwhich Island Sugar;

75 half and whole bbls extra clear Pork;

40kgs choice Butter;

50 es Jewell & Wilson's Lard;

2100 lbs Bay & Chili and White Beans;

50 chests choice Black Tea;

500 lbs Choice Green Tea;

200 boxes Adumantine and Sperm Candles;

100 do Blue Overalls;

100 do White Overalls;

100 do Fine Grey Overshirts;

100 gross Boxes Smoking Tobacco;

50 lbs Champagne, favorite brands;

100 es Wolfe's Rus' and Voldner's Schnapps;

500 lbs Cheving Tobacco, assorted brands;

New Westminster, which we offer to dealers at low rates; and a general assortment of

Ales, Wines, Liquors, Cigars,
ETC. ETC. ETC.

All of which will be sold

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Victoria, Feb. 3d, 1860.

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of every description.

Glass and Crockery Ware, Wood and Willow Ware, &c. & c.

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Just Received per Express

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A LARGE STOCK OF

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SCHIEDAM AROMATIC SCHNAPPS,

Manufactured at my old Distillery, near

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Renowned in Europe and the United States for nearly twenty years, for unrivaled purity, and for wholesome Tonic properties.

Beware of the cheap poisonous trash put up in square bottles of late years, by so many liquor-mixtures, to imitate my Pure Schnapps, and my bottle labels.

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A UCTIONEER,

THE BRITISH COLONIST

TO ADVERTISERS.

All advertisements, unless the time for which they are to be inserted is specified, will be continued until ordered out, and so charged.

Saturday Morning, Dec. 29, 1860.

Dissolution.

An eminent American, long since dead, once said that an epitaph would be written over the remains of the Republic of this purport: "Here lies a people who, in striving to give liberty to the negro, lost their own freedom." That man evidently saw very far ahead, and events now transpiring within the United States shed a gravity upon that saying full of melancholy meaning. Every breeze that blows from the Southern States comes freighted with alarming intelligence; the political sky looks dark and foreboding; and a spirit of disunion seems to be spreading itself over the land with a rapidity that no human power can check or stay. Statesmen full of years and honors have resigned their high positions and retired into private life, fully determined never to serve under the newly elected President. South Carolina, ever rebellious, and anxious to go into business on her own account years ago, heads the clamorers for a dissolution of the Republic; and several other States, the telegrams say, are ready to follow her example. Other of the States, however, express themselves as willing to wait for an overt act on the part of the new Government encroaching upon their rights; and if the Republicans preserve moderation in their victory, there is reason to hope that the storm may yet blow over, and that the sunlight of freedom will be allowed to gradually shed its rays over the thinking minds of the South, as it has already done over those of the North. The slaveholder has been educated to believe that slavery is the true condition of the African race; to deny the normal right of every man, no matter what his color or his creed, to seek his own happiness, in his own way—provided that in so doing he shall not interfere with the rights or privileges of his fellow-man. Can we wonder, then, if, by the example of early association and education, the slaveholder objects to the new order of things, and raises his arm and his voice against it. These considerations should be borne in mind by the dominant party; and moderation should follow the victory they have just gained. The effect of a secession of the Southern States could not but be disastrous to commerce and to agriculture, and result in a complete financial prostration of the whole country. Nor would the States be the only sufferers. British, French, and German manufacturers—large creditors of the American merchants—would suffer in a corresponding degree. The looms of the English cotton spinners would cease their busy hum, and thousands would be thrown idle, starvation staring them in the face. The consequences would be fearful; and the very thought would be enough to deter the rash extirpation of both North and South from pushing forward to a consummation their designs. The true safety of the Republic lies in union.

We repeat, by a moderate, conservative course, the President elect may succeed in allaying the bad feeling that has been engendered partly by his own election, and partly by the policy of the present incumbent. It, on the contrary, he adopts a sectional policy—one that will encroach upon the rights of the South, the epitaph quoted above may yet be truthfully engraved upon the monument at the tomb of their free institutions.

LORD DUNDONALD—Lord Dundonald, whose death on the 31st ult., we briefly announced on the arrival of the Santa Cruz, was one of the ornaments of the English nobility. He was born in 1775, and at the time of his death was in his 86th year. He entered the navy at the early age of 17, where he soon distinguished himself. In 1801, he took a Spanish frigate against great odds, and was promoted to the position of post-captain, in consideration of the services he rendered on that occasion. In 1807, he represented Westminster in Parliament, but incurred the animosity of the Government by his radical opinions. In 1814, on the report of the abdication, he took advantage of the rise in stocks to sell out. When the report was discovered to be false, he was charged with originating it for speculative purposes. He was tried, convicted of fraud, sentenced to pay £1,000, stand in the pillory, and be imprisoned one year. The pillory punishment was remitted, but the Earl was exiled from Parliament, and degraded from the Order of the Bath. His constituents had such faith in him that they paid his fine by public subscription, and sent him back to parliament. During the struggle of the Greeks for independence, he assisted them, but on the accession of William IV, and a Whig Government, returned to England, where he was reinstated in all his former honors. He continued in favor on the accession of Queen Victoria; in 1851, he became admiral of the white, and in 1854, rear admiral. Lord Dundonald was a writer of some ability, and in 1847 published his "Observations on Rural Affairs;" in 1851, his "Notes on the Condition of the British West India Islands," and in 1858 his "Narrative of Services in the Liberation of Chili, Peru and Brazil," in two volumes.

INSTRUCTION IN SPANISH.

A GENTLEMAN LATELY ARRIVED in Victoria, from South America, and having a thorough knowledge of the Spanish language is desirous of forming an EVENING SPANISH CLASS on three evening in the week, from 7 to 9 o'clock, p.m.

The lessons could be given on any days in the week agreed upon by the pupils.

For particulars inquire at the "COLONIST" Office, or at the Wharf Office, City Wharf, at the foot of Yates street.

THE CELEBRATED JAPANESE SALVE.

For sale by the Agents,

CURTIS & MOORE, Druggist, Yates street.

How to Lay Out a City.—What a pity that the parties who laid out Victoria had never seen a spider's web! The London *Builder* says that a spider's web furnishes a better plan for laying out new cities, than any which has yet been devised by surveyors and engineers. Any one who can find a distinct and complete web unbroken, will see how perfectly adapted for the quickest passage from one point to another. The concentric rings are not circles but polygons, the radiating exquisitely regular and straight.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

HORSE RAFFLE.

TO BE RAFFLED ON MONDAY, 31ST Dec., 1860, at 8 o'clock, p.m., at the PHOENIX SALOON, on Yates street, that last quarter mile horse

"NIGGER,"

Which beat Mr. Parker's horse "Moustache," on Wednesday last. He is perfectly gentle and works well in harness.

50 Chances at \$5 per Chance.

The three highest throws with three dice to win. d23 1t

Underwriter's Sale.

P. M. BACKUS, Auctioneer,

WILL SELL

THIS DAY,

SATURDAY, the 29th inst.,

At 12 o'clock, m.,

By order of the Agent of the Underwriters, for account of whom it may concern,

On the Wharf of the Hudson Bay Co.,

The following goods just landed from the wreck of the

BARK NANNETTE, FROM LONDON Bound to Victoria. Vancouver Island

TERMS---CASH.

N. B.—The balance of the goods will be sold as fast as they arrive from the wreck.

J. C. in diamond above K. M.—8 cases Scotch Whisky,

do do 7 cases Old Tom,

D. C.—1 case, No. 12

do 1 box Oil,

C. T. above V. I. in diamond—14 boxes Sperm Candles,

do do 2 cans supposed Foiled Oil,

J. Main—4 cans Boiled Oil,

No Marks—1 coil Rope, No. 25.

do 10 pairs and 2 single 2½ point white Blau-

kets,

do 1 kg paint (white supposed),

7 Reeding Jackets,

do 1 Albany Jacket, Axe Brand,

do 1 Vest,

do 1 pair Trowsers do

7 pairs Men's Uncle Boots, elastic,

do 1 pair Boys' do laceing,

do 1 pair Boys' Long Boots,

do 1 Sail.

1890. N. W. in diamond—14 bales.

H. over H. B. in diamond—1 bale, No. 25,

Rev. Mr. Pringle—1 box,

No Marks—7 coils Rope,

R. McD. and W. above V.—1 case, No. 73,

J. K. and S.—3 rolls Carpeting,

No Marks—1 do do supposed same as above,

C. D. C.—2 cases, Nos. 7 and 8,

J. C. in diamond over K. M.—8 cases Old Tom Gin,

do do 5 cases Old Scotch Whisky,

W. M. S. in diamond—1 case, No. 3,

C. T. over V. I. in diamond—12 cases, supposed Boiled Oil.

J. Main—1 box Boiled Oil,

No Marks—1 tin Paints,

C. T. over V. I. in diamond—44 boxes Sperm Can-

ders, (3 of the 44 broken)

D. C. & Co.—2 cases, Nos. 1 and 4,

Merceret over F. S.—1 case, No. 209,

F. S. over P.—1 case, No. 210,

No Marks—18 Pilot Coats,

do 16 Petticoat pieces (Balmoral),

do 23 pieces Red and Blue,

do 11½ pairs 3 point Blue Blankets,

do 63 do 2½ point White Blankets,

do 7½ do 4-point Green Blankets,

do 1 Apothecary's large Glass Jar,

do 5 Blocks, 2 with chains and hooks attached

Some old Hope, part of Running Gear,

do 26 pairs Men's Boots,

do 63 pairs Ladies' Boots,

do 2 oars.

Judge Bent's—1 Canvas Bag,

139 N. W. in diamond—1 bale, No. 573,

do in diamond—10 casks Bottled Ale,

C. W. H. 10 casks Porter.

No Marks—50 Blankets, say 25 pairs, 2½-point White,

do 23 above B. 189—1 cask Whisky,

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LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

MAONIC BALL.—The First Annual Masonic Ball of Victoria Lodge No. 1085, came off on Thursday evening, at the Supreme Court Room, James' Bay. All who participated in it expressed themselves highly pleased with the arrangements, and pronounced the ball a decided success. By common consent it has been declared to be the best ball ever given in this Colony, and beyond doubt reflects a high degree of credit on the Fraternity. The company was large and highly respectable,—composed of the beauty, talent and fashion of the city. Among the distinguished guests who honored the Order by their presence were His Excellency Gov. Douglas and the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Washington Territory, E. Garfield, Esq. The room was tastefully decorated with flags, wreaths, and Masonic emblems; the music discoursed by the Band of H. M. S. Topaze was excellent; and the varied regalia of the Fraternity, combined with the uniforms of the gallant representatives of the Royal Navy, and all set off with the beauty and charms of the fair sex, presented a picture of enjoyment, whilst whirling in the giddy waltz, that could not well be surpassed. Dancing was kept up to late hour, when the company dispersed without the slightest occurrence to mar their pleasures. We cannot conclude our notice without a merited tribute of praise to one who aided materially in affording the substantial comforts of the occasion. We mean Mr. Ringo, who supplied the supper. He spread an excellent table, which none know better how to do than himself. The artistic skill displayed in adorning the tables loaded with every delicacy and luxury, was demonstrative evidence of his ability to furnish "creature comforts" on such occasions.

THE WRECK OF THE NANETTE.—The schooner Harriot arrived yesterday morning from the wreck, bringing about eight tons of goods saved from the wreck of the Nanette. They consisted of clothing, blankets, gin, ale, etc., and were landed at the Hudson Bay Company's wharf, where the bales were opened and the clothing and blankets hung out to dry on the long railing at the rear of the warehouse, causing the establishment to resemble, to a person looking at it from a distance, an immense laundry. When the Harriet left Race Rocks last evening, there were about a dozen small craft alongside the Nanette, and about 100 men engaged in grappling for the sunken articles with boat-hooks and tongs. Yesterday fifty men-of-war's men from Esquimalt went down in two launches, and assisted in saving a portion of the cargo. The scene among the wreckers is said to baffly description. Disputes as to the possession of packages fished up are constantly taking place, and not a few rough and tumble fights have taken place. Every one seems to be working on his own hook, and in every case demands salvage for what he brings up. The wreck remains in the same position as when she first struck. We learn that such portions of the goods as are saved will be sold to-day at auction.

A DISHONEST EMPLOYEE.—Yesterday morning a storekeeper on Yates Street employed a lively looking Indian to assist him about the store. About the middle of the day he was called out of the establishment for a moment, and left Mr. Siwash in charge. When he returned, he missed the Indian, and on proceeding to the rear of the house found him passing over boxes of the finest cigars to a confederate on the other side of the fence. The shopkeeper seized his employee by the hair, and the latter uttering a yell, his friend on the outside took the alarm and fled, leaving the booty behind. The fellow on the outside was treated to some cowhide boot, administered by the enraged storekeeper, and then allowed to depart—it is to be hoped an honest Indian for the future.

SUIT AGAINST GOVERNOR DOUGLAS.—A rumor has been current for several days past that the Hudson Bay Company is about to commence a suit against Gov. Douglas for the recovery of a large tract of land lying across James' Bay, and comprising, in part, that portion occupied by the Government Buildings, and a number of acres in the rear and on both sides of those structures. We believe that some of the property in dispute has been sold to private parties, the validity of whose titles, if the rumor proves true, may be seriously affected by the suit.

AUCTION ON MONDAY.—On Monday next, at 11 o'clock, A. M., J. A. McCrea will sell by auction, a large stock of dry goods, clothing, boots and shoes, liquors, groceries, notions, blankets, furnishing goods, etc., on a liberal credit, to close consignments. The sale is well worthy the attention of dealers.

BOAT-RACE.—Several of the juveniles connected with the Collegiate School will engage in a boat-race in the harbor on New Year's Day. An appropriate prize will be awarded the winners.

AUCTION OF JAPANESE GOODS.—The sale of elegant Japanese goods for New Year's gifts, will take place to-day by J. A. McCrea, at his salesroom, Wharf street, at 10th o'clock.

ARRIVAL OF THE CALEDONIA.

The steamer Caledonia, Capt. Frain, arrived from New Westminster last evening. She brought twenty passengers, and a few letters by Express. The news is unimportant.

The Potter Dramatic Troupe were well received at New Westminster. They arrived there on Monday last, and have played to full houses ever since. They are deservedly popular, and will doubtless continue to do well. At Nanaimo, they played one night on their way up, and drew a large house.

The river is falling very fast; the weather continues mild and delightful. Very few boats have so far gone through the canons—probably owing to the half-a-cent per pound tax on all goods sent up that way. No snow on any account had fallen.

The steamers Hope and Moody have been drawn off the route between Hope and Yale. The Fort Yale is the only boat now running above Hope, and freight is consequently up to \$20 per ton.

"THE CLOOTCHMAN'S BROKEN ARM."—We were yesterday informed by Mr. Pemberton that he has investigated the charge against one of the police force of having broken a clootchman's arm on Christmas evening, and that he has ascertained the same was unfounded. It seems that about eight o'clock on that evening, the woman was on Johnson street, with several others, contrary to the police regulations, which compels them to cross the bridge at sundown. One of her companions called out, "Here comes policeman George;" she started to run, and in doing so, fell and broke her arm. The policeman was not on Johnson street at the time, and knew nothing of the charge or the accident until the next day. It was from the exclamation made by her companion that the story originated.

"SCOTTY" SEEKS LIBERTY AND FRESH AIR.—Yesterday morning poor "Scotty," the lunatic, confined in jail on a charge of vagrancy, became tired of snuffing the free air of Britain through the bars of a cell; and determined to enjoy the same among the tars at Esquimalt—so, yesterday morning, when the jailor's back was turned, he passed through one of the gates and made off. He was followed, and late in the afternoon was caught at Esquimalt. When found, he was offering to enlist in Her Majesty's service on board the Topaze, as an able-bodied seaman. He was marched back to his old quarters, and will be more closely watched in future.

THE DENTOR'S PRISON.—The old Supreme Court room is being fitted up as a debtor's prison. The old room is now divided into two—one to be used as a sleeping apartment, and the other as a sitting-room. The windows will be protected by heavy iron bars, and the doors have been walled up, the only outlet being by a passage-way cut through the side and leading to the prison-yard. The prison when finished will be comfortable, and a vast improvement upon the present system, under which unfortunate debtors are locked up like common felons.

POLICE COURT.—A drunken Songish Indian and a Hydah, charged with having sold whiskey to a relative, were the only cases before this Court yesterday. They were convicted, and received the customary sentences.

DAMAGED GOODS BY AUCTION.—P. M. Backus will sell this morning, at 11 o'clock, a portion of the goods saved from the wreck of the bark Nanette, consisting of blankets, clothing, gin, etc., by order of the agents for the Underwriters. The sale will be positive, and offers great chances for buyers.

WHARF SHED.—The Hudson Bay Company are about erecting a large shed over their wharf back of the large brick warehouse. It will be very substantial, and will cover the entire wharf.

EXTRAORDINARY LIBERALITY.—Every little boy and girl in town will receive an instructive book as a New Year's gift, by calling at Curtis & Moore's drug store.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—are undeniably the finest medicine for dilapidated constitutions, disordered liver, bile and indigestion. The wonderful efficacy of this salutary medicine, and the good effects produced on patients suffering from the above complaints would appear incredible, if not confirmed by daily proofs of the cures effected by them, and the permanent benefit derived from their use. These invaluable Pills soothe and strengthen the nervous system, purify the blood, regulate the secretions, and invigorate the constitution. Disease flies before them. They are composed of vegetable extracts, unmixed with a grain of any mineral or noxious substance. They may, therefore, be given with the utmost confidence, and with perfect safety, to delicate females and young children.

FOR SALE.—500 BALE CALIFORNIA OAT HAY, 400 sacks Barley, 200 sacks Oats, 200 sacks Bran, In lots to suit. J. SOUTHGATE & Co., Wharf street. d221m

NOTARY PUBLIC.—MR. DRAKE, 63 GOVERNMENT Street, has received the appointment of Notary Public for these Colonies. d22 2m

BRANDY IN FLASKS.—JUST RECEIVED, A FEW CASES OF BRANDY in wicker flasks, expressly put up for packing and use in the mines. d21 m

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On the 22d inst., at Norfolk House, Victoria, by the Rev. Dr. Evans, Robert Williams, Hudson's Bay Co., to Elizabeth Ann, second daughter of the late Charles Dodd, Esq., formerly Chief Factor H. B. C.

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Schr Harriet, Collin, Race Rocks

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Dec 28—Cane Reid, DeCosmo, Race Rocks

Sloop Proctor, Anderson, Race Rocks

Schr Cadboro, Boyle, Port Townsend

Schr Circus, Smith, Race Rocks

Sloop Jane, Spratt, Race Rocks

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